

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Stone et al.

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For: TRIPLE LAYER INDUSTRIAL FABRIC  
FOR THROUGH-AIR DRYING PROCESS

Group: 1794

Examiner: Andrew T. Piziali

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Date: August 13, 2009

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Reply is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2009.

Reconsideration of the prior rejection is respectfully requested. Applicants have also submitted the Declaration of Richard Stone Under 37 CFR §1.132 ("the Stone Declaration") in support of this Reply.